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MUNCIE TEAMSTERS AID BOYS' CLUB

LOCAL 188 SIGNS 27 LAUNDRIES

An agreement has been signed between three AFL unions and 27 laundry and cleaning plants in Indianapolis.

The contract affects approximately 3,000 workers.

It is for seven years and was signed at the Columbia Club, Indianapolis, between the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the Laundry Workers International Union and the International Association of Cleaning and Dye House Workers (AFL) and the Indianapolis Cleaners and Launderers' Club.

The agreement sets up a commission to arbitrate all disputes and strikes and lockouts are barred for the seven-year life of the contract.

Negotiations between union officials and company representatives began several months ago.

The master agreement is patterned after one which has been

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TEAMSTERS AT MICHIGAN CITY FILE CHARGES

MICHIGAN CITY—E. C. (Pete) Wilkes, business representative of Teamsters Local No. 298, has filed charges of unfair labor practice against the J. L. Freeland Motor Co. here.

The company, according to Wilkes, advertised in the newspaper for a mechanic. Two union men—Arthur Raska and Harold Gardner—applied. When the company learned that the men had been discharged by Wilson Sales for union activities, they were refused jobs, Wilkes charged.

Meantime, Wilkes announced the union has signed up the McAlpine and Ross service station and garage as 100 per cent union.

Hess Re-elected V. P. of State Fed.

Incumbent officers of the Indiana State Federation of Labor have been re-elected for two-year terms beginning January 1, it was announced recently.

Officers are Carl H. Mullen, Hammond, president; John Acker, Lafayette, secretary-treasurer, and Mary L. Garner, South Bend; Pat Hess, Fort Wayne; Stanley J. Elliott, Marion; Roy Creasey, Indianapolis; John O'Donnell, Hammond; John Soucie, Evansville, and Herbert Auttersson, Terre Haute, vice-presidents.

Tellers are John Smith and Mabel Lowe, both of Indianapolis, and C. O. Van Horn, Fort Wayne



Pat Mahoney, head of Teamsters Local 369, Muncie, is shown (standing right center) inspecting one of many loads of waste paper which the Teamsters handled for the Muncie Boys' Club, to finance a new shower bath installation. Also shown (extreme right) is Ed Smith of the Teamsters, who drove this truck. At time of this publication the boys had gathered and the Teamsters had handled 117 tons of paper and three tons of rags—enough to assure success of the drive.

Haul Paper Two Days for Shower Bath

The Muncie "Evening Press," leading newspaper in that city, had a front page picture, in its April 20 edition, showing Pat Mahoney directing the collection of scrap paper and rags for the benefit of the Boys' Club there.

Accompanying the photo was an article, giving appropriate credit to Teamsters Local 369, of which Mr. Mahoney is secretary-treasurer and business agent.

The article was as follows:

Things were looking up for the Boys' Club "paper-troopers" Wednesday morning when their city-wide paper, magazine and rags collection drive began in the northern sectors of Muncie. Teamster Union officials estimated that between 40 and 50 tons of scrap paper had been hauled away from doorsteps in the first four hours of the collection.

The territory south of the New York Central tracks will be covered Thursday, beginning at 8 a. m. Eddie Smith, driver of an Indiana Bridge Company truck which was the first to bring a load over the weighing scales (10 pounds short of 2 tons), said that apparently Muncie householders liked the idea, since virtually every house over his first route on Hackley street had bundles waiting for them.

The papers are carried by the boys from the doorsteps to the trucks. A total of 60 boys had signed up as volunteers for the job, but closed to 120 reported for duty at 7 a. m. Wednesday, club director Roy Bogden said.

Muncie merchants chipped in to

Look-See with 233

By BIG ED and LITTLE ED

The Wadley & Co. contract, negotiated jointly by Locals 188 and 233, is settled. A wage increase was granted by the company.

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It seems that Brother Carl Hovermale, of Indiana Terminal General Storage, bought an A-1 used tire from a fellow employee. Later, under close inspection, he found the tire full of nails. The roof raised three inches from Brother Carl's smoke. Before he went home he found out some practical joker had switched tires on him and the tire full of nails was one that had been used as a bumper in the warehouse. Of course Brother Carl was pleased.

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Remember! Regular meeting the first Wednesday of each month at 8 P. M., 28 West North St.

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The Prestel Transfer Co. has settled its agreement for the coming year, with a nice wage increase.

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The meat agreements, Kingun, Stark & Wetzel and Swift, are open and being negotiated, as are the agreements for the commission houses on the market—J. P. Michaels, J. C. Perry, Geo. Hitz & Co. and John Wachtel Co.

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Don't forget! Ask for Red Dot Potato Chips. They are made and delivered by Teamsters.

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H. J. Heinz & Co.'s contract has been settled with a substantial wage increase and several fringe issues. The "57" boys are doing OK.

Forrest Harness came to Town,

To buy a load of lumber;

He ran the Teamsters' ticket line—

And now they have his number!

See O. B. Chambers' Column, Page 3.

OVER-ROAD SURVEY IS A SUCCESS

Four joint councils, representing all local unions of Teamsters in Indiana, report big success in the 15-day check of every over-the-road freight truck operating in this state.

The drive, ending April 15, was held in compliance with a directive from International President Tobin and Executive Vice-President Beck calling for a national survey of the inter-state trucking industry.

Speaking for Joint Council 69, biggest group in Indiana, O. B. Chambers, president, thanked the business agents of 13 locals for their cooperation.

In Terre Haute, Bert Wheat of Teamsters Local 144 reported that the survey there revealed very few non-union truck drivers.

Birdsong on Committee of Truck Rodeo

EVANSVILLE — Clyde Birdsong, president of the Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers Local No. 215, is again a member of the Chamber of Commerce Truck Rodeo committee. The rodeo, the city's second, is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 18 and 19, on Riverside Drive.



CLYDE BIRDSONG

N. W. Roser, operations manager of the Hancock Truck Lines, is general chairman for the event. Arthur P. Eberlin, secretary-manager of the Chamber of Commerce, is vice-chairman and Ivan A. Martin, C. of C. safety department manager, is secretary-treasurer.

Serving on the committee with Mr. Birdsong are: Robert Maxedon, International Harvester Co.; Gilbert Gelhausen, Evansville City Coach Lines; C. H. Jones, Evansville City Coach Lines; Vernon

help the drive along by donating lunches to the drivers and boys. Firms which provided the ingredients for the meals, served at the club, included Riggins Dairy, Foodliner, White's Market, Crispy Creme and Singer's Bakeries.

The proceeds from the sale of the collected paper will go for the purchase of the shower unit in the Boys' Club new building, for which construction is scheduled next spring. The teamster organization, and local companies have furnished drivers and trucks, in-

cluding Andy Richardson, Wagner Trucking Company; Harry Dickerson, Federal Trucking; James Grim, Kirby-Wood; Charles Gollnor, Delaware Trucking; Charles Rogers, Muncie Lumber; C. L. Anderson, Glaser-Taylor; Don Lacey, A. J. Glaser; Charles Kelly, McClain Trucking; William Batt, Hardesty Trucking; Eddie Smith, Indiana Bridge; William Sours, Motor Express; John Hutchens, Tarbet Trucking; Ray Jackson, Heuer Brothers; Robert Grant,

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It Happens To Be—543

By S. W. HELTON

Who is Jim Cross' helper, who is a nursemaid with handling furniture, G. G. initials, and carries two lamps in his hands?

Bryle Coffman just returned from vacation in Fort Wayne with his brother's family. Wonder if he can get down to business now?

The Alton Box Board Co. is still shut down for lack of orders.

Construction work has started on the new open-air theater at Frankfort. Ivan Grenat has the stone haul.

Meetings nights at 543 are:

Third Monday, 7:30 P. M.—Lafayette.

Last Saturday, 7:30 P. M.—Frankfort.

HELP! HELP! HELP! REPEAL THE TART-HARTLEY LAW!

Harold "Nig" Moser has returned home from the hospital after a major operation. Nig is in a cast and will have to remain so for six or eight weeks. Nig will be glad to see any of his friends who can find time to call on him.

The nation-wide over-the-road check is finished. We enjoyed the work and met many fine union truck drivers. We conducted our work at a number of truck stops and in all but one were given permission by the lunchroom manager. This one exception was the Lewis Tremble Lunch Room on 52 at the west edge of Otterbein. About 90 per cent of this man's business is truck drivers, but he refused us permission to contact the drivers in his place of business.

THOSE SAFETY MEETINGS

Federal Express, Cleman's Truck Line, and Ellis Trucking Company held driver safety meetings at Indianapolis last month.

Seventy drivers of the western division of Federal participated in an annual safety award dinner at Hotel Warren in the Hoosier capital, and 57 cash awards, covering one to eight years of accident free driving, were presented along with safety award pins. Nine individual trophies were presented to Federal Express drivers with three or more years of accident free driving.

Twenty-three Indianapolis drivers for Clemans Truck Line, of South Bend, received awards on Friday evening, March 11, at a semi-annual safety dinner given by the company at McClarny's Famous Restaurant. H. C. Sanford, vice-president and general manager of the company, was among those in attendance. He announced that the company recently acquired its 100th trailer.

Walter Bryant, safety engineer for Markel Service, insurance, delivered one of the safety talks for which he has become famous in these parts, as a feature of the Clemans meeting.

Others in attendance were Pete Rooney and Jim Pruitt, also representing Markel Service; Ray Crowel, in charge of fleet safety for Clemans, and Jim Burnett, Indianapolis terminal manager.

Two safety meetings were held by Ellis Trucking Company, one on Sunday evening, March 18, being attended by 58 drivers, and another on the following evening being attended by 24 drivers. State Trooper Holladay make a talk and showed a movie at the Sunday evening session, and Wayne M. Timmons of Purdue University spoke before the Monday evening group on the subject: "The Professional Driver."—"The Fifth Wheel."

UNFAIR LISTS ILLEGAL

WASHINGTON—Organized labor is finding out almost daily just how bad the Taft-Hartley law really is.

The latest demonstration was provided by a ruling of the National Labor Relations Board, under the law's provision which bans secondary boycotts, to the effect that "unfair lists" maintained by AFL building trades councils in nearly every city, are illegal.

A majority of the board held that the vicious anti-labor law could be construed to put a stop to the preparation and use of the "unfair lists" which have become a tradition with AFL building trades unions and central labor bodies.

Disagreeing sharply with the view of the majority was NLRB member John M. Houston who charged that the board's ruling "seems to me a dangerous and unnecessary curtailment of rights."

In a dissent filed in the case, Mr. Houston declared: "If an unfair list cannot claim protection under Section 8 (c), neither can any other form or means of propaganda which a union may wish to use to publicize its views as to its relations with management and unions are enjoined to silence to a degree which seriously imperils their ability to engage in any concerted activity at all."

The board decision ordered the Grand Rapids, Mich., Building and Construction Trades Council and the Bricklayers' Union to stop inducing employees of the Grand Rapids Tile and Mosaic Co. not to work on material of the Osterink Construction Co. by maintaining Osterink Co. on an unfair list.

Russell Jenkins of Gary Drivers Dies In Accident



RUSSELL JENKINS
Business Representative Dies

GARY—Funeral services for G. Russell Jenkins, business representative for the Milk Wagon Drivers and Dairy workers, local 835, were held in the Williams and Burns funeral home.

Officers of Teamsters Joint Council No. 11 of Lake County and members of the Milk Wagon Drivers local attended in a body.

Milk deliveries were made early to enable the drivers to attend.

Jenkins, age 56, one of Gary's best known labor leaders, died of a heart attack as he was driving from Indiana Harbor to his home at 445 Ellsworth. His car went out of control and crashed against a flasher post at the Pennsylvania Railroad crossing on Michigan Ave. in Indiana Harbor.

Jenkins was business agent of the AFL Milk Wagon Drivers union.

He had lived in Gary since 1927, coming from East Chicago where he worked in the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co. office.

McMahon Named



EARL J. McMAHON

CHICAGO—Earl J. McMahon, secretary of the Chicago Building Trades Council (AFL), was appointed secretary-treasurer of the Illinois State Federation of Labor at a meeting of the federation's executive board.

He succeeds Victor A. Olander, who died last February 5. McMahon will continue to serve as secretary of the building trades council, dividing his time between the two positions.

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Edwards Tells Why Propaganda Blasts at Laundry Agreement

Frank Edwards, one of the nation's outstanding news commentators, speaking over WISH, Indianapolis, had this to say about the recent agreement reached between 27 Indianapolis laundries and the AFL Teamsters and Laundry Workers Unions:

You've been hearing a lot about the recent and remarkable settlement or agreement arrived at between the laundry and dry cleaning companies of this city and three AFL unions.

You've been hearing a lot of conjecture about it, passed off under the guise of news. What you haven't been hearing is what I'm going to report to you right now...what was done, and why the smear attack has been launched against the plan.

For years the laundry and dry cleaning business across the country has been a bloody battleground as far as labor is concerned. It has not been entirely trouble free here...and the disputes have cost both labor and management heavily. As late as last Christmas there was an imminent danger of a general laundry tie-up...with one laundry just recovering from a bad case of labor trouble...and two others trying to stave it off.

A group of laundry and dry cleaning operators got together and determined to do something. They were tired of fighting and tired of spending their money and time in a futile struggle with labor. They sent a delegation to St. Louis, which has the best record of any major city in their field. They wanted to see how St. Louis has solved its labor wars in the laundry and dry cleaning field...after 15 years of bloody battling. St. Louis had finally wearied of its bombings and sluggings and endless loss of time from work. Labor and management had discovered that success for one could not be achieved without success for both of them.

The local group investigated the operation thoroughly...and they came away convinced there they had found a workable and sensible solution to the Indianapolis problem, too.

A delegation of St. Louis laundry and dry cleaning operators came over here to describe how the plan had operated for them...and how successful it had been since 1944. The plan was one which called for mutual confidence between employer and employee and for the knowledge that by working for the common good they both gained.

Who was going to administer the plan?

The local labor and management group decided to get experienced men at the top...and to get men who would be out of reach of the pressure groups who have long dominated the decisions affecting labor in the state of Indiana, and the city of Indianapolis. They selected A. A. Ahner...one of the top labor relations men in the Midwest...highly recommended by both labor and management. His excellent reputation with both parties was gained during his 22 years as labor relations man for a chemical company and has been expanded by his sincerity in handling a similar job in St. Louis for the laundries and dry cleaners there. Ahner was selected as one member of the three man top committee. Another member, Father Brown of the St. Louis law school, represents the interest of the general public...and his long record of service in that capacity is without blemish. He is in the key position. His vote can swing a decision...and generally does.

Under this plan of operations the management group wanted to deal with their employees in a body. They felt that they did not come under the provisions of the Taft-Hartley act, since their business was not interstate and they pointed to an instance where a local dry cleaner was picketed...and the NLRB refused to intervene...because it had no jurisdiction.

Why did they select the AFL unions to deal with?

One of the leaders in the management group told me today that they had no real reason for making the choice except that they felt that being older, the AFL was perhaps better fitted by training and experience for conference table settlement of disputes and policies.



MR. EDWARDS

A workman with a grievance goes to his immediate superior. If that doesn't suffice, the two of them go to the business representative and an officer of the company. If the worker or the company is not satisfied by their decision...the business representative of the union takes the matter up with Mr. Ahner...and by that decision lies the final decision of the three man committee of which Father Brown is chairman. Management retains the right to hire and fire...and transfer...in accordance with the terms of the agreement. And any complaints or grievance by either party may be submitted to the three man committee.

It's a common sense method of settling grievances and working conditions and it is long overdue. It is a stabilizing influence on both management and labor.

But it is unpleasant to the connivers and schemers who would like to tell business how to run its affairs...and who would like to crush labor entirely. Under this plan the outfits that hate labor and dominate business can't throw their weight around...that's what pains them. For the first time in this state...a workable plan of management labor cooperation has evolved...out of control of the politicians and the pressure lobbies...and they are both angry and bewildered.

Critics of the plan are trying to spread dissension by harping on the allegation that "the workers are being forced into unions which they did not choose..." Upon examination, it becomes apparent that this sudden interest in the rights of the worker is coming from critics who have been notoriously opposed to the workers of ANY union up to this time. Behind those headlines you will detect the sound of running water...nothing more than a flood of crocodile tears.

It is sad but true that there are certain well financed and powerful organizations in this city devoted to the sole purpose of destroying union labor. To find labor and management meeting on friendly terms on common ground disrupts their campaign of vilification. They scream to high heaven when they find that management and labor in the laundry and dry cleaning field has found a peaceful and workable solution to their mutual problems...and that they have set up their own arbitration board, out of reach of the venal connivers and the puppet arbitration boards which these self-appointed overlords have been accustomed to manipulating to will.

To the business men who adopted this plan and to the working men and women who have joined in the effort to make it a success, my personal congratulations. I

BEST DRIVERS IN AMERICA

Kroger Drivers of Local 233 Receive Awards

Thirteen Kroger Co. truck drivers who added another year without an accident to their driving records were honored at a banquet in Hotel Washington.

All 13 drivers are members of Teamsters Local 233, headed by Leo Bauer. They represent a total of 77 years of driving for Kroger's Indianapolis branch without accident.

Kroger trucks were on the road day and night in all kinds of weather.

Diamond rings were presented to drivers with five or more years of safe driving and lapel pins were given those with less than five-year perfect record. Presentation of the awards was made by Rodgers N. Brown, Indianapolis branch manager, assisted by Jerry Scher, warehouse and transportation superintendent.

Winners of diamond rings for no-accident records of five years or more were Wilford Brunk, 16 years; Roscoe Perkins, 16 years; Ed Lousman, nine years; Harry Bennett, nine years; Clarence Williams, nine years; Floyd Grimes, eight years.

Winners of lapel pins were Cecil Robold, two years; Eugene Faqua, two years; Albert Fox, two years. Also awarded lapel pins for a no-accident record of one year were Fred Bidgood, Thomas Walsh, Carl Clark and Charles Tozier.

Brown said the Indianapolis branch has adopted the theme "Safety is no accident—it must be planned," for 1949, and declared the branch is out to win the company safety award for this year. So far, the company has reduced the accident rate 89 per cent under that for the same period in 1948.

Congratulations of Kroger President Joseph B. Hall were relayed to the drivers by Brown.

More Mayflower Drivers Honored for No Accidents

Mayflower drivers honored for accident-free operation during month of March are:

| | No. of Years |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| William H. Wolf | 1 |
| William Jensen | 2 |
| James W. Snoddy | 1 |
| William A. Bagshaw | 1 |
| Irli D. Tilson | 7 |
| Joseph R. Parker | 3 |
| Fredrick Perry | 1 |
| Furdie J. Gibson | 5 |
| Carl Schleicher | 3 |
| Russell Johnston | 3 |
| Wiekur Richard Connelly | 1 |
| Walter Dobbins | 1 |
| Elmer Pritagie | 1 |
| Carl Alvin Reed | 1 |
| Arthur E. Shuley | 1 |
| James D. Betts | 1 |
| Calvin E. Stage | 1 |
| Emory L. Reynolds | 1 |
| Joseph Carter | 1 |
| Ira Corwin | 2 |
| Howard Hylman | 2 |

Driver Fined for Overweight

CONNEERSVILLE — Hal D. Stevens, 23, Middletown, O., paid \$1,020 in Connersville City Court for overloading his semi-trailer

Driver of Year



Martin Larson, 41-year-old driver for Indianhead Truck Line, St. Paul, Minn., has been named the trucking industry's Driver of the Year by judges who screened nominations from all part of the country.

Larson was picked because of an 18-year record of driving without an accident, combined with a highway rescue of a motorist pinned in his overturned car in below-zero weather. American Trucking Association, Inc., announced Larson will receive an all-expense trip to Washington and New York, and a Norge deep-freeze unit filled with Birds-Eye frozen foods. He is a member of Local 975, International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

Safe Driving Awards Given Drivers of 369

MUNCIE — Teamsters of Local 369 with outstanding safety records were honored at the annual dinner meeting of the Tarbet Trucking Company.

James Batty, 1535 W. Twelfth street, received an award for driving 15 years without mishap. Edmond Steinke of Morningside was honored for 12 years safe driving. Thirty-one drivers were included in the awards.

Clarence Tarbet, president of the company, conducted the meeting. Other company officers attending included John Leatherman, vice-president; J. C. Nichols, assistant general manager; Bruce Robinson, fleet supervisor; Vernon Gilbert, superintendent of operations; George Story and D. E. Holiday, supervisors; Richard Watkins, fleet maintenance supervisor; and Charles Vannater, claim investigator.

Speakers included Frederick Connors, district supervisor of the Interstate Commerce Commission; State Trooper Charles Halpin; Lt. Al Guzzi; William Bell of the Continental Casualty Company, and A. G. Allen of P. K. Morrison Company.

Other drivers honored were: Seven Year Award: Carl Elser. Four Years Award: Charles Hedrick, George Humphrey.

Three Year Awards: Norman Rutledge, Robert Wilson, William Bennett, Frank Arnaldi.

Two Year Awards: James Duhan, Robert Craig, William Vorhees, Roy Conatser, James Athens, August Schoonover, Fred Holt.

One Year Awards: William Sanders, Orval Baker, Jack Valandingham, John Pletz, Lloyd Maddy, Jacob Porter of Anderson.

No-Accident Pins Given to Drivers of Local No. 759

Twenty-two members of Teamsters Local 759 employed by Miller Transportation, Inc. of Kokomo, have been awarded safe-driving pins by the American Trucking Assns. Inc.

Roqua Flick tops the list of those who have driven without a chargeable accident, with a record of six years and total of 480,000 miles.

Art Irwin, Everett Kirby and Russell Dare have five years each to their credit, with total mileage respectively of 350,000, 300,000 and 400,000.

Four-year records are scored by Phillip Parkhurst, 240,000 miles; John Record, 240,000 and Lloyd Morrison, 250,000.

Other drivers and their mileage without accident are:

| | | |
|------------------|---|---------|
| Ralph West | 3 | 175,000 |
| Ray Akers | 3 | 180,000 |
| Francis Henry | 2 | 120,000 |
| John J. Ressler | 2 | 140,000 |
| Ed Kuhn | 2 | 100,000 |
| Leo Murphy | 2 | 120,000 |
| Ralph Robertson | 2 | 120,000 |
| James Ooten | 2 | 120,000 |
| Vern Bittner | 2 | 140,000 |
| Marvin Holaday | 1 | 80,000 |
| Harold Mercer | 1 | 70,000 |
| King Hogwood | 1 | 60,000 |
| Ralph Ratcliff | 1 | 70,000 |
| Charles J. Smith | 1 | 75,000 |
| Charles David | 1 | 65,000 |

Clyde Birdsong on Committee for Truck Roadoo

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Ashby, Ideal Pure Milk Co.; Frank Hutcheson, Hargis Truck Lines; Jesse Dunville, Hargis Truck Lines; E. L. Shepard, Yellow Cab Co.; W. L. Swain, Jr., Southeastern Motor Truck Lines; Vic Hornick, Roberts Motor Co.; Bob Stough, Hancock Truck Lines; Eugene Winemiller, Hayes Freight Lines; M. B. Wedge, Interstate Motor Freight System; Augie VanDeventer, Highway Trailer Co.; Ray Hallenberger, Hallenberger, Inc.; W. C. Lindsey, Morrow, Inc.; Inspector Emil Strunk, Police Traffic Div.

Two Classifications

Similar to last year's roadoo there are to be two classes of competition—straight truck and tractor trailer. Drivers to be eligible for entrance, must have an accident-free period of at least 12 months prior to the roadoo. Firms to be eligible to enter a driver must own and operate ten or more truck units. They may then enter a driver in each class. Entry blanks will be mailed to all owners and operators of vehicles within the next few days.

The Roadoo is designed to determine, through a series of competitive events, the contestant's knowledge of safety, courtesy, efficiency, first aid, and his skill in handling the type of vehicle used in his particular class of competition.

Man Pinned by Truck Succumbs

EVANSVILLE — Charles A. Walker, 28-year-old Spurgeon man who spent 18 hours pinned under an overturned truck, died here in a hospital.

Walker was found pinned beneath the truck at the Wasson Coal Mine near Boonville.

The most treasured thing in life is satisfaction in your work. Then why not buy Union Label goods from brother unionists who are also satisfied with theirs!

In the Know With Kokomo

By O. B. CHAMBERS

Local Union No. 759 meets the first Saturday of each month in the Kokomo Labor Temple, 512 East Sycamore St., at 8:00 P. M. It is essential that all members attend these meetings so they may be informed of the different conditions that are changing from day to day.

This Local Union has just completed the contract covering warehousemen, truck drivers and yard help at the Railway Signal Company at Mexico, Ind. Negotiations on this contract started in November and were not completed till the month of March. An increase was granted these people retroactive to November. This contract was settled after a strike notice was served on the company.

We have also completed a contract covering the G. S. Suppiger Co., at Converse, with an increase for these people. We ask all of our members and members of organized labor to buy Brooks' catsup and other Brooks' products, as they are 100 per cent Teamster Union made, packed and delivered.

Local Union 759 has also completed the construction contract with a nice increase for our members. We are working on the Great Lakes Distributing Corp. contract at Logansport, and an Unfair Labor Practice case has been filed against these people as to date they have failed to negotiate.

We are now negotiating a contract for the employees of Armour Creamery at Rochester, which contract expires May 1. We have had one meeting with the company regarding this contract. Byron Zimmerman and Wm. Billman were present as committee members.

Roqua Flick and wife, driver for Miller Transportation, had a blessed event and were presented with a baby girl.

NEWS FLASH—Ex-Congressman Forrest Harness, who was very active in passing the Taft-Hartley Bill and always voted wrong until he was defeated in the last election, has again scored against labor as a private citizen by going through a picket line established by Local Union 759 at the Howard County Lumber Co., Kokomo. One more thing the voters should remember if Harness ever runs for another public office!

The Howard County Lumber Co. for the past three years has negotiated jointly with five other material and coal yards in Kokomo. All of them granted increases to employees of 15 cents effective January 1. But now the Howard County Co. has attempted to cut wages back to the level of the previous contract.

This company did pay the increase up until three of four weeks ago, then tried to cut the rate of our drivers, which would effect the rates of all drivers in the other yards.

Therefore, a picket line has been put on this yard and will continue there until this matter can be straightened out.

The Kunes Press has been called upon by Chambers and Lantz and there are possibilities of quite a few jobs that will come under the jurisdiction of Teamsters Local Union 759.

Up to Date with Local No. 188

Local No. 188 has just won another VICTORY. Brother Kinnaman has just won two elections at the Furnas Ice Cream Co.; Representation and a union shop election, winning both with a nice majority. Brother Davis and Brother Kinnaman are now in negotiations with the company.

NOTICE: Banquet Milk Co. is still on strike. You members can help us by not buying their products. If your friends are buying their products, ask them to change until the strike is settled.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS: The Wilson Donut Co., at 137 West 16th St., has signed a contract with our Local and are now 100 per cent union. Let's all patronize our union companies.

NOTICE: The Stettler Baking Co., at 648 South East St., is also a 100 per cent union shop. For the information of our members and their friends, we would like to name the union bakeries we have signed contracts in:

PIE COMPANIES: Dolly Madison, Hostess Cake, Grennan Cake, Perfection Cake and Ward Baking Co.

BREAD—WHOLESALE: West, Colonial, Continental, Taystee, Southside, Regen, General Baking.

BREAD—RETAIL: Omar Baking and Freihofer Baking.

CRACKER COMPANIES: Sayer Biscuit Co., National Biscuit Co., Sunshine Biscuit and Perfection Biscuit.

Let's all buy these Union Delivered Products.

We regret to announce the death of a good Brother, John Mann, of Indiana Condensed Milk Co., at Sheridan, who will be greatly missed from our organization. May we, of Local No. 188, express our deepest sympathy to his family.

Mrs. Arthur, mother of Minor Arthur, has recently passed away. Our deepest sympathy to Brother Arthur.

Brother Ralph Hanley of Grennan Cake has been ill and at Veterans Hospital. A speedy recovery to you, Brother Hanley.

Brother William Hurst of Polk Milk Co., has been ill at home. A speedy recovery to you, Brother Hurst!

Mrs. Charles Elmore, wife of Brother Elmore of Continental Baking Co., has been ill at Methodist Hospital. Best of luck, Brother Elmore, for your wife's speedy recovery.

Brother Robert Trees of General Baking, has been ill. We hope this finds him well and back on the job.

Mrs. Lawrence Green, wife of Brother Green of General Baking, was gifted with a new baby. Good luck for the future, Brother Green.

Mrs. Sylvia Surber is recovering from a thyroid operation at her home. Carl, her husband, is employed at Colonial. We wish her a speedy recovery.

PATRONIZE DEALERS DISPLAYING THIS EMBLEM



Local 188 Signs 27 Laundries In Move to Stabilize Industry

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in effect in St. Louis, Mo., for more than two years.

Enforcement of the contracts will be under an arbitration of three St. Louis men, headed by the Rev. Leo C. Brown, regent of St. Louis University Law School as the public member. Patrick Burke, business agent of the Teamsters Union in St. Louis, is the union member of the panel, and A. H. Ahner, public relations counsel, represents the employers.

They perform a similar function in St. Louis.

The three-man arbitration commission settles question on wages, hours, vacations and grievances. Their decision is final.

The contract provides a wage increase. The contract can also be reopened for wage negotiations at the end of the first year and two-year periods thereafter.

All production workers must join one of the three unions within 30 days. New employees must join within 90 days also.

Union officials who worked out the agreement included Sam Byers, president of the Laundry Workers International Union, and Ben Bishop, his assistant, of St. Louis; Thomas Flynn, acting president of the International Teamsters Union; Everett Davis, busi-

ness representative of Bakery, Laundry, Dairy Employees and Sales Drivers Local No. 188, Indianapolis, and Richard Rochester, vice-president of the International Association of Cleaning and Dye House Workers Union.

Others active in the talks included Mr. Ahner and Charles H. Spoelker, St. Louis industrial relations council, and Dale Crittenden, secretary-treasurer of the Indianapolis Cleaners and Launderers Club.

The companies which signed are:

Best-Grand Laundry, Progress Laundry Co., Mechanics Laundry and Supply Co., Inc., the Crown Laundry and Dry Cleaning Co., Lortan Industrial Laundry, Overall Laundry, A. and M. Cleaners, Inc., Swiss Cleaners, Inc., Davis Cleaners, Gregg & Son, Inc., Dyer Service, Inc., Commercial Towel and Uniform Service, Inc., Best Lines Supply Co., Fame Laundry, Robert L. Zimmerman, Inc., A. C. Demaree, Inc., Indianapolis Toilet and Apron Supply, Fashion Dry Cleaners, Inc., Star Laundry, Tiffany Laundry Co., Sterling Laundry Co., Wm. M. Leonard Garment Cleaners, Inc., Center Cleaners, Inc., Victory Cleaners Co., Inc., Charles L. Walker Cleaners, Darko & Sons and Brightwood Cleaners.

DANIEL TOBIN ON VETERANS' AID COMMITTEE

Five Indiana leaders of the American Federation of Labor have been appointed to a 30-member State Committee on Veterans' Reemployment Rights.

The appointments were announced last week by Secretary of Labor Maurice Tobin, Robert H. Salyers, director, Bureau of Veterans' Reemployment Rights, and John W. Rogers, field representative of the bureau who covers Indiana from his office in Louisville, Ky.

Certificates of appointment have been received by the following AFL members in Indiana:

Daniel Tobin, president, International Brotherhood of Teamsters. John Acker, secretary, Indiana State Federation of Labor.

Hugh Gormley, international representative, American Federation of Labor.

Don Hurd, secretary, International Typographical Union.

L. J. Wiegand, general chairman, Brotherhood of Railway Car-men.

The purpose of the advisory committee is to advise and assist the Bureau of Veterans' Reemployment

Local 369 Aids Boys' Club Collect Paper

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Roadways and Bridgeway Truck Co.

Special trips are being made into the Carleton and Hamilton Park additions in response to requests from those areas. Royerton residents will have a central collection point, Kirk's Welding Shop, where the paper will be picked up.

Goal for the drive, set by the junior governing council of the Boys' Club, is 166 tons. Estimates by drivers and Boys' Club officials at noon Wednesday indicated that that total would be surpassed at the conclusion of the two-day drive.

The nation's 5,000,000-plus truck drivers outnumber all other transportation workers 3 to 1.

Rights in connection with its administration of the reemployment rights program pursuant to the Selective Service Act of 1948 and related acts.

State Rodeo Plans Made by Various Locals

Rodeo enthusiasm is in the air early this year, among Indiana truck operators and drivers. First, Evansville announced plans for its annual driving contest, which will be held in June. Now the Terre Haute Motor Carriers Association has set Saturday and Sunday, June 11 and 12, as the tentative dates for the annual drivers' contest sponsored by that organization.

Members of the Terre Haute Rodeo committee are Bert Wheat, Teamsters & Chauffeurs Local 144; Bob Mason, Merchants Freight System, chairman; Jack Infang, Gerard Motor Express; William Allen, Motor Freight Corporation and Earl Frazier, McKee-Rodgers, Inc.

According to the state truckers' official magazine "The Fifth Wheel," the Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce will assist in promotion of the event, with C. E. Shideler, executive vice-president of that body, acting as co-ordinator. Wayne Timmons of Purdue University's Public Safety Institute is being invited to co-ordinate the field events, chairman Mason has announced.

Wayne Dobson, Merchants Freight System driver who took top honors in the tractor semi-trailer competition at Terre Haute and then went on to fourth place in the state championships at Indianapolis, is expected to compete again, as is Cecil Julian, Gerard driver who won the Terre Haute straight truck competition last year. Clifford St. John, Merchants driver, who was a threat in the 1947 state championships, also is a potential entry.

A banquet at which drivers and their wives will be entertained, and a parade, are expected to be features of the get-together on the banks of the Wabash. Manufacturers will exhibit equipment.

Last year truckers from throughout the Wabash Valley participated in the Terre Haute meet.

Union Label should become a household word. It is the most important vitamin of prosperity.

You can't afford to miss the Union Industries Show, May 18-22, in Cleveland, O.

Before the war, trucks did about one-quarter the volume of business done by railroads. But now trucks are carrying more than 35 per cent. While freight car loadings are down about 3 per cent, truck shipments are up 20 per cent over 1947.

Local No. 73 Lists Stations Which Display Union Shop Card

All members of Local Union No. 73, Teamsters, Chauffeurs and Helpers, are requested by order of the Local Union in a regular meeting, March 16, 1949, to patronize only gasoline stations displaying the Teamsters shop card and employing your brother members.

Be sure the person putting gasoline or oil in your car or truck is wearing a union button.

Help yourself by spending your union earned money with your union brothers.

The following stations are manned by members of the Teamsters Union and display the union shop card:

SHELL STATION AT WATER AND ELM STS.

Paul Skidmore and Wayne Peer, Operators.

MARATHON STATION AT THIRD AND ELM STS.

Lloyd P. Lewis and Harry First, Operators.

MOBILE SERVICE STATION, 9TH & BLACKMAN STS.

Edward and Ruby Berry, Operators.

SINCLAIR STATION AT NINTH AND WESTERN AVE.

Wm. R. Faulk, Operator.

CITIES SERVICE STATION AT NINTH AND VINE STS.

James Brackney, Operator.

SHELL STATION ON NINTH STREET RD.

Clyde Shew and Herbert Peterson, Operators.

CITIES SERVICE STATION ON SOUTH FIFTH ST.

Louis Alwine, Operator.

SINCLAIR STATION AT UNIVERSAL

Ray Bybee, Operator.

MARATHON STATION AT MONTEZUMA

Wm. Milburn, Operator.

SUPER ROSE STATION AT MONTEZUMA

John H. Bader, Operator.

KEEP POSTED BY ATTENDING THE MEETINGS!

Quinn of No. 298 Heads Drive of Michigan City 'Y'

MICHIGAN CITY—Charles Quinn, of Teamsters Local 298, was chosen by the executive board of the Michigan City Central Labor union as the labor chairman of the city-wide drive to raise \$250,000 to modernize the YMCA building. An addition will be added to the present structure, and a fourth floor will be put over all. Included will be a larger gym, snack bar and kitchen, swimming pool, recreation and meeting rooms. Quinn, in asking labor's support, pointed out, "Labor families benefit directly from the Y, for their children learn sports and sportsmanship, which lessons they carry throughout their lives."

Our present 'Y' offers classes within reach of the worker's pocketbook. Our present 'Y' has had no expansion since 1910, although the city has doubled in population."

Lake County CLU Votes Fast Time

GARY—The Lake County Central Labor union went on record at this week's regular meeting as endorsing fast time to take effect midnight, April 23.

The executive board has also okayed fast time.

"The industrial area must follow fast time," said Steven Toth, CLU president. "We'll leave slow time to the farm areas."

It was pointed out that farmers change their working hours to match the rising or setting of the sun, while in industrial areas such a procedure would be too complicated because buses, factories, restaurants and other affected parties would also have to change.

Labor leaders said it was far easier merely to switch to fast time.

One objective of good work is to receive good wages. Don't throw them away on shoddy, non-union goods!

If you take pleasure in making union-made goods—you should take more pleasure in buying them!

Why Indianapolis Has Intolerable Taxicab System

RICHMOND—An Indianapolis cab driver was charged with drunken driving here today after his cab left the road and struck a utility pole, injuring slightly a passenger.

The driver, Harold Jasbrink, 29 years old, 2524 College avenue, was being held by Wayne County authorities. A man riding with him, Doyle Mitchell, 968 North Pennsylvania street, was under treatment at Reid Memorial Hospital.

Deputy Sheriff Ryland Jones said the mishap occurred on Boston Pike, four miles south of town, while the pair were returning to Indianapolis from a trip to Hamilton, O., where they had driven a fare.

According to the Richmond police the drunken Jasbrink was driving a United Cab Co. taxicab.

He was fined \$75 and 10 days in jail and had his license suspended for six months.

Taxi Ride Costs \$125 Gold Watch

(From Indianapolis Star)

A gold watch valued at \$125 is pretty steep fare for a taxi ride, Henry Washington, 1337 East Market street, complained to police April 3.

He said he hailed a cab downtown and upon arriving home found he had no money. He gave the driver the watch to hold as security while he went into the house to get money. Returning, Washington found the cab driver had driven away with the watch.

Accuse Taxi Driver of Robbery, Rape

(Indianapolis Times)

Police questioned a taxicab driver held on a vagrancy charge April 14 in connection with the reported robbery and rape of a passenger last night.

Officers said the woman's billfold and some of her identification were in the driver's possession when he was arrested on her description and report.

A resident of the near-northside, the victim said she had hailed the cab, and the driver took \$15 from her and attacked her after driving through parts of the city unfamiliar to her.

She also told police he had twisted her arm in forcing her to drink liquor from a bottle he had.